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Via email: 74133-63301514@requests.muckrock.com

Re: HQ-2019-00958-F

Dear Ms. Best:

This is an interim response to the request for information that you sent to the Department of Energy (DOE) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. You requested:

Copies of documents, including but not limited to emails, memos, letters, reports, briefs and call logs, referring to, discussing or generated as a result of referrals to and consultations with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and other components of the Department of Justice (Criminal Division, Civil Division, National Security Division, the Attorney General's office, etc.), regarding instances of unauthorized disclosures of information (AKA leaks) for investigation and/or prosecution between January 20, 1981 (or the date of creation of this agency, whichever came first) and the present.

In your letter, you requested a waiver of all fees associated with the processing of this request. For purposes of assessment of any fees, you have been categorized under the DOE regulation that implements the FOIA at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 1004.9(b)(3), as a "news media" requester. Requesters in this category are charged fees for duplication only and are provided 100 pages at no cost. At this time, fees for the request are not expected to exceed \$15.00, the minimum amount at which DOE assesses fees, and we will not address the request for a fee waiver. If fees are expected to exceed \$15.00, we will address the fee waiver or contact you regarding a fee agreement.

You may contact DOE's FOIA Public Liaison, Alexander Morris, FOIA Officer, Office of Public Information, at 202-586-5955, or by mail at MA-46/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration,



8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Please refer to the above referenced number in any communications with the DOE about the request. If you have any questions about the processing of your request or this letter, you may contact Ms. Rachel Fellows of this office at MA-46/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, or at 202-287-6831.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter.

Sincerely,

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FOIA Officer

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